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Mrs. Albert D. Lasker Chrysler Building New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Mary:

I had a private and perfectly thrilling luncheon yesterday with Doctor Urey. Two of my men were with me as we talked and our discussion was most enlightening to me. After the luncheon I called Mr. Biffle and several Senators out and they had a very interesting talk with Doctor Urey and all warmly thanked me for the privilege. I told him afterward I was a little selfish as I had not had a chance to talk with many of the atomic scientists and I was anxious to drink as deeply as possible of his knowledge, but I assured him next time he came I would get a group together to discuss the whole atomic bomb situation and another subject close to his heart--and the only way of controlling the atomic bomb -world federation. For all this, of course, I am deeply thankful to you.

I wanted you to know also that we had an excellent conference with Senator Bridges on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock. We agreed that when another appropriation bill comes over from the House, the Public Health Service and one or more of the group of doctors at the conference should appear and formally make a record in justification of the amount recommended by the group, \$2,900,000, I believe. Senator Bridges will try to get the whole amount into the appropriation bill. If he cannot get the whole amount, of course, he will get all he can. I believe we have made a little beginning toward getting some funds in the heart research field to which also you have grandly contributed.

Tell Albert we are still remembering and talking about his great speech to us. It was an immense pleasure to us all to have you both here.

Best wishes to you both, and

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